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MEMORANDUM FOR: All Participants in Ginnie Mae Programs

FROM: George S. Anderson, Executive Vice President

SUBJECT: Release of GinnieNET 2020, Version 5.3 and Phase Out of
GinnieNET 2020, Versions 5.1 and 5.2

Ginnie Mae is pleased to announce the release of GinnieNET 2020, Version 5.3 ("GinnieNET 5.3"). With the release of GinnieNET 5.3, Ginnie Mae's delivery system can now be operated in a Windows[™] NT 4.0 operating environment, in addition to Windows[™] 95 and Windows[™] 98 environments.

Below is a list of enhancements that have been added to GinnieNET 2020 with the release of GinnieNET 5.3, many of which have been implemented at the request of our business partners.

- Master subservicers and service bureaus will no longer be required to install multiple versions of GinnieNET in order to facilitate reporting on multiple issuer accounts. Master subservicers and service bureaus will be able to report activity to Ginnie Mae for more than one issuer using the same software package;
- Issuers will be able to transfer pool document custodian responsibility from one custodian to another custodian electronically, as long as the new document custodian is covered by an existing master agreement. Issuers will no longer be required to submit hard copy master custodian agreement documents to Ginnie Mae's Pool Certification Agent under the above situation;
- Issuers will be able to electronically submit form HUD 11711B Certification and Agreement. Document custodians will not be required by Ginnie Mae to maintain the hard copy form HUD 11711B for pools submitted using GinnieNET 5.3;
- When the form HUD 11706 is printed using the GinnieNET 5.3 software, the printed form will include the Mortgage Identification Number ("MIN") and Mortgage Origination in MERS ("MOM") indicator;

- When printing the form HUD 11705, the printed form will include the approved Guarantee Fee based on Ginnie Mae pooling criteria (e.g., reduced guarantee fee for pools that meet Ginnie Mae's targeted lending criteria);
- Issuers will be able to submit written certification that no changes have occurred in the most recently submitted version of the Master Agreements on file with the Pool Processing Agent ("PPA"). Issuers will not be required to mail copies of the unchanged Master Agreements with the certification if the certification is transmitted using GinnieNET 5.3;
- Issuers will be able to submit multiple Quarterly Certifications for the same FDIC bank for which the issuer has multiple custodial accounts. Also, the length of the account title has been expanded to 75 characters;
- GinnieNET 5.3 has broadened the recipient's range of faxes that are sent from the network to a more specific User address (Shipping, Certification, Investor Reporting, as examples). The goal of the enhancement is to allow the User to communicate directly with the appropriate party showing activity on the network;
- Multifamily pools can be recertified via GinnieNET 5.3 using the same process as single family pools. Issuers will enter the pool numbers being recertified and then send them to their document custodian via GinnieNET; and
- Issuer and document custodian will be able to do a single installation of GinnieNET 5.3. Following installation of the software, the signature enrollment process will only need to be performed once per person enrolled.

After seeking your input, Ginnie Mae has made a conscious decision to phase out GinnieNET Versions 5.1 and 5.2. These versions are operated in a Windows 3.1.1 environment which have since been replaced with more current and powerful operating environments. Therefore, effective February 28, 2001, Ginnie Mae will no longer support GinnieNET Versions 5.1 and 5.2. All electronic transmissions sent via the GinnieNET network must be transmitted using GinnieNET 5.3, starting March 1, 2001. Also, please note that GinnieNET 5.3 cannot be operated in a Windows 3.1.1 environment.

In order to properly operate GinnieNET 5.3, your hardware and software will need to meet the following requirements.

Equipment	LAN User	Single User
Computer	Pentium 400 mhz or better	Pentium 400 mhz or better
Operating Systems	Windows™ 95, 98 or NT 4.0	Windows™ 95, 98 or NT 4.0
Memory	128 megabytes total RAM	64 megabytes total RAM
Hard Drive	6.4 gig	6.4 gig
Miscellaneous Requirements	Modem 28.8 or better (BPS)	Modem 28.8 or better (BPS)
	Mouse	Mouse
	Open Serial Port	Open Serial Port

Attached to this memorandum are the dates and locations for GinnieNET training. The training will be at a GinnieNET 101 level and will include the enhancements in GinnieNET 5.3.

If you have any questions regarding this announcement, please contact your Account Executive in the Office of Customer Service at (202) 708-1535 or the Office of Multifamily Programs at (202) 708-2043.

Attachment

GinnieNET Training

Dates and locations for training are provided below. The training will be at a GinnieNET 101 level and will include the enhancements in GinnieNET 5.3. To schedule GinnieNET training, please call the GinnieNET Hotline at 1-800-234-GNMA.

Date	Location	Single Family Pools	Investor Reporting	Multifamily Pools
January 8, 2001	Business Center	X		
January 9, 2001	Business Center		X	
January 10, 2001	Business Center			X
January 22, 2001	Charlotte, NC	X	X	
January 23, 2001	Charlotte, NC	X	X	
January 24, 2001	Charlotte, NC			X
February 8, 2001	San Diego, CA			X
February 9, 2001	San Diego, CA	X	X	
February 20, 2001	San Antonio, TX	X	X	
February 21, 2001	San Antonio, TX	X	X	X
March 8, 2001	Business Center		X	
March 9, 2001	Business Center			X
March 26, 2001	Business Center	X		
March 27, 2001	Business Center			X
April 9, 2001	Business Center	X		
April 10, 2001	Business Center		X	
April 23, 2001	Business Center	X		

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